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1. Informant stated his vessel made a trip into Gdansk to load cargo and was in that port from 9-17 Dec 53.
2. The vessel was sent to the port by London agents, names not known. Vessel entered the port light and loaded six hundred standards of timber which were taken to Istanbul, Turkey.
3. Upon entering the harbor, a pilot and searching party were brought on board the vessel, and the vessel was searched. All cameras and guns were impounded, and there were guards on board the vessel during its entire stay in the port.
4. The vessel moored to a wooden dock, which was in good repair, and loaded the timber with the use of the ships gear. The yard at this dock did not have any crane facilities.
5. There was a lot of traffic in the harbor. All of the ships that were sighted were cargo and freighter type vessels. There were no passenger vessels sighted other than a large passenger ship which was in the bed of the shipyards. Among the vessels in port were Swedish, English, and Finnish ships. None of the ships names could be recalled.
6. There were no dredging operations in sight and the depth of the water in the harbor would be estimated at 30 ft. There were no nets or mine fields noticed either entering or departing the harbor.
7. While in port, all of the crew members were issued shore passes. The only incident that happened while the vessel was in port, was that one crew member, who was of German nationality, got into some minor trouble with the authorities because he did not declare all of his money and tried to take some money on shore without exchanging it for Polish money. The money was taken from the crew member and entrusted to the Captain of the vessel for safekeeping until the vessel sailed from the port.

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